WEST AND SOUTH, AND MARYLAND AVENUE ON THE EAST.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1978.

Approved May 16, 1978.

CHAPTER 476

(Senate Bill 553)

AN ACT concerning

Child Support and Alimony

FOR the purpose of conferring personal jurisdiction over a nonresident defendant upon a court in certain civil actions involving a demand for child support or alimony.

BY adding to

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings Section 6-103-1 Annotated Code of Maryland (1974 Volume and 1977 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

6-103.1.

A COURT MAY EXERCISE PERSONAL JURISDICTION OVER A NONRESIDENT DEFENDANT IN ANY CIVIL PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF THE MARITAL RELATIONSHIE AND OR INVOLVING A DEMAND FOR CHILD SUPPORT, SPOUSAL SUPPORT, OR COUNSEL FEES IF THE PLAINTIFF RESIDES IN THIS STATE AT THE TIME SUIT IS FILED AND THE NONRESIDENT DEFENDANT HAS BEEN PERSONALLY SERVED WITH PROCESS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MARYLAND RULES AND:

- (1) THIS STATE WAS THE MATRIMONIAL DOMICILE OF THE PARTIES IMMEDIATELY BEFORE THEIR SEPARATION: OR
- (2) THE OBLIGATION TO PAY CHILD SUPPORT, SPOUSAL SUPPORT, OR COUNSEL FEES AROSE UNDER THE LAWS OF THIS STATE OR UNDER AN AGREEMENT EXECUTED BY ONE OF THE PARTIES IN THIS STATE.